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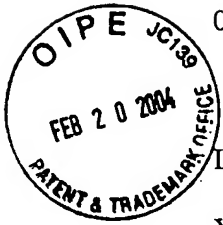
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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Divisional Application of: )  
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YASUO KOTAKI, et al. )  
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Application No.: Not Yet Assigned )  
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Filed: Concurrently Herewith )  
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For: LIQUID CONTAINER, CAP )  
USED WITH THE LIQUID )  
CONTAINER, AND )  
CAP-EQUIPPED LIQUID ) June 30, 2003  
CONTAINER )

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
AND  
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application, as  
follows: